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Responsive to Appellant's citation of 37 CFR 1.193 in a voice-mail message for Examiner left June 1, 2004, the paper entitled "Supplemental Examiner's Answer" mailed May 11, 2004 is hereby vacated. The Office relies on the Examiner's Answer mailed December 12, 2003 (Paper No. 17).

The contents of the Reply Brief filed February 12, 2004 have been noted.

This case will now be forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.

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